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1. Introduction

By registering to the CEV European Silver League 2022, all the teams commit to following the CEV Competitions Regulations, Guidelines, and Official Communications. The latest version of the 'CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations' is available here:

<https://inside.cev.eu/media/k4mljr1b/cev-volleyball-competitions-regulations-2021-ok.pdf>

All participants are required to be aware of the content of this document, in particular the specific provisions outlined in Chapters 20 and 25.

This and subsequent 'Official Communications' are available as a pdf file on the CEV website here:

<https://inside.cev.eu/en/documents/volleyball-documents/>

The eventual winners of the competition will get the right to compete in the Golden division in 2023, where they will be replacing the lowest ranked team per gender from the 2022 edition.

For this competition, those working on it have the support of the 'Competitions Hotline' during the competition evenings and weekends on: +352 621 25 34 44. If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact the CEV Volleyball Department (nationalteams@cev.eu).

2. Participants

Participants: teams are eligible to participate following the below criteria:

- National Teams not participating in the FIVB Volleyball Nations League 2022
- National Teams not participating in the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2022
- The withdrawn teams of the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2021 (if registered):
 - Men: THE NETHERLANDS
 - Women: FINLAND

3. Competition Format

Competition Format:

League Phase

- Home and Away matches
- Number of pools depending on the number of registered teams
- Pool composition according to serpentine system based on the CEV European National Team Ranking (dated 22.09.2021).
- Maximum six matches per team in the League phase.

Final Phase

- Final Four tournament – 1 organiser + pool winners. If organiser is among the pool winners, the 2nd best ranked teams across all pools will qualify. The CEV will adjust the qualifying criteria according to the number of pools in the League Round.
- The winner will qualify to the CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2023.
- The organisers of the Final Four are also required to compete in the League Phase.

If there is no organiser of the Final Four, two options will be possible:

- Semi-Finals and Finals will be played in Home & Away matches, or:
- Only Finals will be played in Home & Away matches.

4. Competition Calendar

The reserved periods in which the competition will take place are:

League Phase (Men & Women)

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| • 1 st Leg | 28/29 May 2022 |
| • 2 nd Leg | 01 June 2022 |
| • 3 rd Leg | 04/05 June 2022 |
| • 4 th Leg | 11/12 June 2022 |
| • 5 th Leg | 15 June 2022 |
| • 6 th Leg | 18/19 June 2022 |

Final Phase

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| • Final Four Women | 25/26 June 2022 – Country TBD |
| • Final Four Men | 25/26 June 2022 – Country TBD |

National teams will not be able to call up any of their players prior to the Finals of the CEV Champions League Volley 2022 scheduled for May 21/22, 2022, provided the fact that their players are involved with their respective club teams.

5. Registration for competition

The registration deadline for the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022 will be no later than

Monday, 22 November 2021 at 23:59 CET

The registration process will be done via the respective O1 Registration Form inside the CEV Database and in accordance with the CEV Regulatory Framework.

The printed and signed version of this form should be sent to the CEV office by registered letter.

6. Bidding for Final Four Organisation

The bidding process for the organisation of the Final Four Tournament for each gender is open for all participating federations. The bidding documents can be found on the CEV website.

The deadline for receiving the bidding documents is

Monday, 29 November 2021 at 23:59 CET

7. Officials to be appointed for the League Round

CEV Supervisors

According to the general principles, the organising NF is responsible for appointing the CEV Supervisor. The NF's can appoint the local person from the confirmed list of CEV Supervisors for the European Cups 2022.

The organisers will bear all related costs such as travel, accommodation and per diem.

1st Referee

The ERC will appoint a neutral 1st Referee for each match. The nomination will be made available on the CEV database and CEV website as well.

The CEV will book the travel ticket to the nominated persons and bear costs such as travel costs, per diem and visa cost (if necessary and where applicable).

The organisers will bear the costs for local transportation, accommodation and other costs.

2nd Referee

The ERC will appoint a local 2nd Referee for each match. The nomination will be visible on the CEV database and CEV website as well.

The organisers will bear all related costs such as travel, accommodation and per diem.

Reserve Referee

The organising NF's is responsible for appointing the local Reserve Referee for each match. These proposed names should be added to respective 08 Form and approved by the ERC.

The organisers will bear all related costs such as travel, accommodation and per diem.

8. Financial Conditions

- Participation fee for single gender is 15,000€, double gender: 25,000€ (same deduction of 5,000€ in case one team of the same National Federation is playing in the "European Golden League" and one team in the "European Silver League")
- Fee for Final Four organiser: 25,000€
- Prize money paid by CEV (only in case of participation of minimum 8 teams per gender):

- League Round matches: 1,000€ per victory and 500€ per defeat
 - In case Final Four tournament will be played:
 - 50,000€ for winner
 - 35,000€ for runner-up
 - 20,000€ for 3rd place
 - 15,000€ for 4th place
 - In case no Final Four will be organised and the Semi Finals & Finals will be played in Home & Away matches (no prize money for 3rd place allocated):
 - 50,000€ for winner
 - 35,000€ for runner-up
 - In case no Final Four will be organised and only Finals Home & Away matches will be played:
 - 50,000€ for winner
 - 35,000€ for runner-up

9. Spectators attendance and the Final Prize Money paid by CEV

In order to increase the general spectators attendance, the Final Prize Money amount will be paid according to the below presented criteria, considering the average number of spectators for all matches organised by the respective National Federation per gender:

- i. ≥ 1501 spectators = 125% of total Prize Money
- ii. 1001 to 1500 spectators = 100% of total Prize Money
- iii. ≤ 1000 spectators = 75% of total Prize Money

10. Technical Requirements & Match Technology

- Minimum competition hall for League (tournaments) phase category 5
- Challenge system optional for League Round and Final Phase
- Referees head set mandatory for all phases
- Tablets are mandatory for all phases
- The LED system is optional for all phases, but recommended
- With the sole exception of the above conditions, the event will be organised and conducted according to the requirements and conditions of the CEV Regulatory Framework
- Host Organisers are obliged to run 2 CEV certified in-game data collection software, E-scoresheet & DataVolley.
- Host Organisers shall ensure a state-of-the art internet connectivity in the venue in order to relay the data in real time with no delay.

- Host Organisers should also appoint experienced officials/scorer that are gathering the official data for the event in order to ensure accurate and reliable data delivered in a timely manner.

11. Official Balls

All matches during the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022 will be played with the

MIKASA Ball V200W

Each registered team will receive 15 MIKASA balls and the Final Four organisers will receive additionally 40 balls each.

12. Calendar Conference

Please notice that the Calendar Conference with the respective National Federations will be held at the CEV Headquarters in Luxembourg on

Tuesday, 7 December 2021 at 10:00 CET

The participants that are prevented from travelling may join the meeting over video conference call. The link for the call will be shared in advance.

13. Marketing & Commercial Rights

League Phase

- 80% of visibility on and off-court advertising are granted to the Organisers of a tournament, except for the net band advertising where a 100% belongs to CEV.
- All commercial rights' split are taken into consideration in the official layouts made available on the CEV cloud server
- The LED system is optional for all phases, but recommended
- Protected product categories by CEV:
"Betting & Gambling", "Data collection & services" and "Sports equipment – Volleyballs".
- All other categories are considered non-exclusive

Final Four

See Candidature application guideline.

14. Media Rights & Production

The appointed National Federations shall respect the following requirements applying to the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022 – League Round & Final Four.

League Phase

Media Rights

The CEV is granting to the organising National Federations the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to their home matches only in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations – Section 7: Media Production.

There is no media rights reciprocity allowed between organising National Federations participating in the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022. All media rights in relation to the National Federations away matches are exclusively retained by the CEV Sport Media Agency. To acquire such rights, you can contact the CEV Sport Media Agency:

- Mrs. Ottavia Perra, Associate Director Media Sales / Ottavia.Perra@infrontsports.com
- Mr. Alessandro Fanni, Media Sales Manager / Alessandro.Fanni@infrontsports.com

Production obligation

The production of matches during the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022 – League Round is optional.

In case the appointed National Federations wish to produce their home matches, they shall inform CEV and fulfil the minimum broadcasting requirements below (standard D):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 3 HD cameras
- TV Signal delivery*: via satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV prior to the start of the competition)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the competition.

**For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency free-of-charge a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.*

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than 7 days before the start of the relevant match.

Final Round

Media Rights

In case of Final Four competition format, the CEV is granting to the National Federation appointed as Organiser of the Final Four the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to all the matches produced in its territory in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations – Section 7: Media Production.

In case of home/away competition format, the CEV is granting to the organising National Federations the non-exclusive domestic media rights in relation to their home matches only in exchange of the production of such matches as per the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations – Section 7: Media Production.

There is no media rights reciprocity allowed between organising National Federations of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022. All media rights in relation to the National Federations away

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Production obligation

All matches of the Final Four shall be produced as per the below minimum broadcasting requirements (standard C):

- World Feed signal is in HD 16:9
- Number of cameras: 5 HD cameras
- TV Signal delivery*: via satellite only (Eutelsat 7B or 10A carrier)
- Graphics: official CEV TV graphics package (to be provided by the CEV prior to the tournament)
- Contact details: NF to provide to the CEV contact details of their host broadcaster or local production company 2 weeks prior to the start of the tournament.

**For the avoidance of any doubt, it is the responsibility of the appointed National Federation to provide to the CEV and the CEV Sport Media Agency free-of-charge a TV signal with DVB-S2 standard via an established European satellite such as Eutelsat 7B or Eutelsat 10A. A Eutelsat certified SNG HD fully redundant (1+1) capable of transmission DVB-S2 2 MPEG4/H.264 4:2:0 or 4:2:2 with BISS 1 Encryption.*

The complete satellite parameters are provided in English to the CEV and CEV Sport Media Agency no later than seven (7) days before the start of the Final Four / semis or final matches.

15. Match Technology & Data

The match technology requirements that concerns the organisation of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League are stated in the CEV Competitions Regulation Article 95, Match Technology.

The appointed National Federations shall fulfil the below requirements:

- Compulsory use of the CEV data and statistics collection applications for each match of the CEV Volleyball European Silver League 2022 including but not limited to E-scoresheet and DataVolley software to ensure a professional collection and distribution of data and statistics.
- For the avoidance of any doubt, the CEV will provide to the National Federations the necessary credentials (incl. username and password) to access the data and statistics collection applications prior to the event.

To ensure a professional usage of the above-mentioned applications, it is the responsibility of each National Federation to provide the below services, equipment and resources free of charge to CEV for all matches of the CEV Competition:

- Download **latest** software version – <https://download.dataproject.com/cev>
- Necessary hardware to run adequately E-scoresheet application (such application is only available on Windows operating system).
 - Necessary hardware to run DataVolley applications for statistics delivery.
 - State-of-the art and dedicated high speed internet connection as well as dedicated power supply.
 - Testing of the application and connectivity one (1) week prior to the competition in collaboration with CEV and its appointed official data provider.
 - Experienced human resources to operate E-scoresheet and Statistics software
 - One (1) E-scoresheet operator
 - One (1) Statistics Software operator



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1. Competition Format - Update

The Men's competitions:

League Phase

- Two pools – 3 and 4 teams as 7 teams in total has been registered
- Home and Away matches
- 6 legs will be played as Double Round Robin is applied
- Pools composition:
 - Pool A: FIN, HUN, AZE
 - Pool B: MKD, ROU, ALB, BIH

Please be informed that that men's national team of Azerbaijan has withdrawn from competition. Therefore, and according to the provisions of Art. 21.9 of the CEV Volleyball Competitions Regulations the team of AZE will forfeit all of their matches.

The Final Four Tournament will be played in HUN 25/26 June 2022

- If Organizer is ranked 1st after League Round – 1 organiser + team ranked as 1st and 2 teams ranked as 2nd in the pools,
- If Organizer is ranked 2nd after League Round – 1 organiser + 2 teams ranked as 1st and the 2nd best ranked team across all pools will qualify

The Semi Finals matches schedule are organize that way:

1st Semi Final the higher ranked team from Pool A is playing against lowest ranked team from Pool B
2nd Semi Final the higher ranked team from Pool B is playing against lowest ranked team from Pool A.

The Women's competitions:

League Phase

- One pool for all participants as only 5 teams has been registered
- Home and Away matches
- 10 legs will be played as Double Round Robin system is applied
- Pool composition:
Pool A: SLO, SWE, POR, EST, LUX

There is no Final Four Organizer so we two best ranked teams after the League Round will play only 1 Final Match at the 1st ranked team venue

2. Competition Calendar

League Phase – Men

- 1st Leg 28/29 May 2022
- 2nd Leg 01 June 2022
- 3rd Leg 04/05 June 2022
- 4th Leg 11/12 June 2022

- 5th Leg 15 June 2022
- 6th Leg 18/19 June 2022

Final Phase

- Final Four Men 25/26 June 2022 – in HUN

League Phase – Women

- 1st Leg 25 May 2022
- 2nd Leg 28/29 May 2022
- 3rd Leg 01 June 2022
- 4th Leg 04/05 June 2022
- 5th Leg 08 June 2022
- 6th Leg 11/12 June 2022
- 7th Leg 15 June 2022
- 8th Leg 18/19 June 2022
- 9th Leg 22 June 2022
- 10th Leg 25/26 June 2022

Final Phase

- Final Match Women 02 July 2022 – venue of 1st ranked team after the League Round

The confirmed Match Calendar for respective gender and pools is already available at: <https://www.cev.eu/national-team/european-league/european-silver-league/>

National teams will not be able to call up any of their players prior to the Finals of the CEV Champions League Volley 2022 scheduled for May 21/22, 2022, provided the fact that their players are involved with their respective club teams.

3. Prize Money

- League Round matches: 1,000€ per victory and 500€ per defeat for both genders

The Men's CEV European Silver League

- Final Four tournament Prize Money:
 - 50,000€ for winner
 - 35,000€ for runner-up
 - 20,000€ for 3rd place
 - 15,000€ for 4th place

The Women's CEV European Silver League

- CEV ESL winner 35,000€
- CEV ESL runner up 25,000€
- 3rd ranked 15,000€
- 4th ranked 10,000€
- 5th ranked 5,000€

4. Accreditation Cards

It is mandatory to use the CEV Accreditation System for all CEV Volleyball European Golden League 2022.

You can access the accreditation system via [this](#) link or via the National Federations Area of the CEV Database. Furthermore, there is a Badge Manager for the printing of the Badges for the matches. Each team is responsible to print their badges to home and away matches and bring those to the matches also when away match is concerned, as those cards are valid the entire league round.

The guidelines on how to navigate through the software are available within the documents area in the accreditation system.

5. Marketing & Commercial Rights

Marketing and commercial rights are published in the Official communication n°1.

The use of LED system boarding is optional but recommended.

The LED playlist as well as the official court layout must be downloaded from the CEV cloud. If LED system is used, the final LED playlist must be uploaded for approval into the Organiser's/National federation's folder.

6. Branding & Graphics

Branding guidelines published on the CEV cloud must be followed by all organisers.

All graphics (Banner, Net, backdrop, poster, etc.) shall be downloaded from the CEV Cloud folder <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown>

CEV institutional brand can be downloaded from the CEV Cloud: <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/cevbranding>.

CEV online Competition storage is an optimized file sharing and storage solution. All Organisers have direct access to all resources via a web service interface. The CEV Cloud supports Drag and Drop file managing.

No logins or passwords are needed

Special links navigate you to the CEV online Competition storage with 2 main folders:

Download, which contains all necessary files / templates you need to use for production of any possible material link **related to the competition** <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsdown>

and

Upload, where all files to be uploaded, checked and approved by CEV before producing. After uploading any files, the graphics department (graphics@cev.eu) has to be notified by short e-

mail. Note that the cloud doesn't inform us automatically on uploading. The upload folder is structured by Organisers <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl>

LED system information:

The **obligatory** LED system application form must be downloaded from the download folder in the CEV Cloud <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/ledapplform20> (select the LED system application folder).

Fully compiled form must be uploaded to the CEV Cloud into your respective folder <https://cloud.cev.eu/url/natteamsupl> by **30th April 2022**.

Court layout commercial rights: see the layout and, please, check carefully all court layout conditions:

- NET Advertising: 100 % CEV - net bands remain empty
- Net Post Advertising: 20 % CEV, 80 % NF or 100% empty
- Referee chair advertising: 20 % CEV, 80 % NF or 100% empty
- Scorer table: NF
- Benches advertising: NF
- Floor-stickers F3 and F4 places untaken
- Floorstickers F1 and F6: ceded to NF
- Floorstickers F7 and F8: optional but have to always be displayed together (5m x 1m)
- LED System: optional but recommended - visibility split: 20% CEV, 80 % NF (LED play list has to be completed)

Production of the promotional static banners

Organising National federations are required to produce the following banners according to the layouts provided hereafter and made available on the CEV Cloud folder:

- Position nr. 12: Competition title banner
- Positions nr. 9 and 19: Eurovolley.tv
- Positions nr.4 and 15: #EuroleagueW (when participating in the women's competition or #EuroleagueM (when participating in the men's competition)

Court layouts: see annexes 1 and 2 and, please, check carefully all court layout conditions.

7. Annex 1 – static court layout



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For all technical details and measurements see the official court layout



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